

Claim 22, lines 1 and 2, please delete "any one of claims 11 to 21" and substitute --
claim 11-- therefor.

REMARKS

The purpose of this preliminary amendment is to clarify the translation and remove
multiple dependent claims from the application to reduce filing costs.

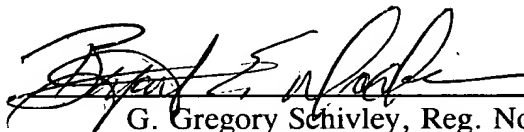
Favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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